Order No: 21-99

## ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR CLOSING AN AREA TO ENTRY, TO WIT:

## MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST GAULEY RANGER DISTRICT WEST CHERRY TIMBER SALE

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth at 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts and omissions are prohibited in the delineated portion of the West Cherry Timber Sale area on the Monongahela National Forest, Gauley Ranger District, Nicholas County, West Virginia and as shown on the map designated Exhibit A attached hereto:

- 1. To go into, enter, use or be upon any area encompassing the delineated portion of the West Cherry Timber Sale Area as designated in Exhibit A attached, which is closed for the protection of public health and safety (36 CFR 261.53(e) and for the protection of property. (36 CFR 261.53(f)).
- 2. Being on any Forest Service System Roads within the boundaries of the delineated portion of the West Cherry Timber Sale as designated in Exhibit A attached. (36 CFR 261.54(e)).

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO PROTECT NATIONAL FOREST PROPERTY. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THESE PROHIBITIONS WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER, UNLESS WITHDRAWN PRIOR TO THE TERMINATION DATE BY ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. The West Cherry Timber Sale Purchaser, his workers and helpers, and subcontractors.
- 4. This closure will not be in effect during the first week of West Virginia deer gun season.

Violations of these prohibitions set forth above is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. (16USC 551, 18 USC 3559 and 3571).

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2009, at Elkins, West Virginia.

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Monongahela National Forest